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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

This is a request for the filing of a

- ☒ New Application
- ☐ Continuation Application
- ☐ Divisional Application
of co-pending application

On behalf of : **Aurelio A. Vigil**

Title of Invention:

Improved Pry Bar With Rubber Pivot evice

1. A copy of prior application as filed is attached

☐ I hereby certify that the attached papers are a true copy of what is shown in my records to be the above identified prior application, including the oath or declaration originally filed (37 CFR 1.60)

The application which is herein submitted includes:

- ☒ 7 pages of Specification
- ☒ 1 pages of Claims
- ☒ 1 pages of Abstract
- ☒ 4 sheets of drawings (informal)
- ☒ 2 pages of a combined declaration/power of attorney

2. Amendments

- ☐ Cancel original claims
- ☐ A preliminary amendment is herein enclosed

3. Fee Calculation

Number of claims contained in original application

- ☒ Basic Application Fee \$ 770
- ☐ Total Number of Claims - less 20 @ \$18 \$
- ☒ Independent Claims - less 3 @ \$ _____ \$

Filing Fee Calculation

~~\$ 740~~

770

4. Small Entity Status

- ☐ Verified statement of Small Entity is attached
- ☒ Verified statement of Small Entity is filed in prior application

Adjusted Filing Fee Calculation

\$ 385

5. Method of Payment

- ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 385 is enclosed
- ☐ Debit deposit Account No. 06-0127 in the amount of \$ N/A
and for all other necessary and appropriate fees presently due

6. Authorization To Charge Deposit Account For Additional Fees

- ☒ the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 06-0127 for any and all additional fees as they are incurred or otherwise accrue in the instant application.

7. Drawings

- ☒ Informal Drawings Submitted
- ☐ Transfer Drawings From Prior Application Upon Abandonment of Prior Application Pursuant To Paragraph (8) Below.

8. Maintenance of Co-pendency Of Prior Application

- ☐ Prior Application Has Been Allowed and Is Issue As Patent
- ☐ Please Abandon the Prior Application Upon This Application Being Accorded A Filing Date

9. Assignment

- ☐ Enclosed (informal)
- ☐ Combined Declaration/Petition Under Rule 1.47(b)
- ☐ Appears In Prior Application

10. Power Of Attorney

- ☐ The Power of Attorney in the Prior Application is to Mr. John H. Faro, Reg. No. 25,859.
- ☐ The Power Of Attorney to Mr. John H. Faro appears in the Prior Application
- ☒ John H. Faro is herein appointed and shall be recognized as My/Our Attorney, with full power and authority to prosecute this application before the United States Patent & Trademark Office; and, before the Courts of the District of Columbia.

11. Correspondence


All future correspondence in regard to this application is to be addressed to Applicants Attorney as follows:

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12. Mailing

Certificate Of Mailing

I hereby certify that the foregoing Application, appropriate fee and accompanying Declaration have been forwarded to the United States Patent & Trademark Office by First Class or Express Mail, Receipt No **ER575788347US** , this 8th day April, 2002.



John H. Faro, Reg. No. 25,859

In re application: *Aurelio A. Vigil*

For: *Improved Pry Bar With Rubber Pivot*

**Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status
(37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - Independent Inventor**

As a below named Inventor(s), I (We) hereby declare that I (We) qualify as an independent inventor(s) as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, U.S. Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the Inventions entitled:

Improved Pry Bar With Rubber Pivot

described in

- (X) the specification filed herewith,
() Application Serial No. _____, filed _____
() Patent No. _____, issued _____

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any right or interest in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights or interest in the invention, is listed below:

- (X) no such person, concern or organization
() persons, concerns or organizations listed below*
**Note A separate verified statement is required for each person, concern or organization having a right or interest to the invention which claims small entity status*

NAME OF CONCERN:

ADDRESS OF CONCERN:

() -Individual () -Small Business Concern () -Nonprofit Organization

I (We) acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate (37 CFR 1.28(b)).

Declaration

I/We Hereby declare that all statements made herein of my/our own knowledge are true that all statements made on upon information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the U.S. code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent application and any patent issuing thereon.

Date 4/8/04

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